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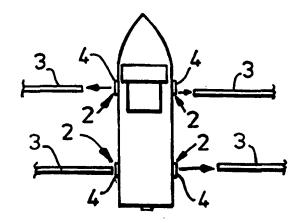
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(57) Abstract

An immobiliser device (2) for a sea-faring vessel (1, 100) has a housing (4, 30, 40) in which is stowed, in an unextended state, a length of fouling wire (6) which, in use, is designed to foul the propeller and/or motor of a target vessel. The wire (6) is automatically ejected from the housing (4) on or soon after contact with the water. The wire (6) may be ejected by being attached to a projectile (34) that is propelled from the housing (30) or may be wrapped around an inflatable member (3). The device (2) allows a first vessel (100) to take action to prevent the approach of a second threatening vessel (102) or to immobilise a fleeing vessel.





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